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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
AKIO NAKASHIMA, ET AL. )  
Application No.: 09/961,425 )  
Filed: September 25, 2001 )  
For: WATER-METACHROMATIC )  
LAMINATE, AND PROCESS )  
FOR ITS PRODUCTION ) March 18, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner for a one (1) month expansion of time, up to and including April 14, 2005, in which to respond to the Official Action dated December 14, 2004 in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the fee under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(1). Any deficiency may be charged to deposit account No. 06-1205.

Applicants respond to the Office Action dated December 14, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 20041207), as follows: